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**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development** 

**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)** 

Grant Recipient: The Dome Federal Tax ID: 30-0274501

Project Title: Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

# Alaska Dome - Parking Lot Paving and Improvements

State Funding Requested: \$1,500,000 House District: Anchorage Areawide (16-32)

One-Time Need

## **Brief Project Description:**

Bring parking lot up to code. We are currently operating under a Conditional Certificate of Occupancy by the Municipality that expire in August 2012

## Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost: \$2,000,000
Funding Already Secured: (\$500,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request: (\$1,500,000)
Project Deficit: \$0

Funding Details:

2012 -In kind donations from contractors

2012 - Rasmusson Foundation

# **Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Re:The DOME

Anchorage, Alaska~~Parking Lot Capital Improvement

As a charitable, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) organization, The Dome prides itself in being dedicated to promoting health and wellness of all Alaskans by providing affordable recreational and cultural activities year round in a clean, safe and inviting indoor state of the art facility. The 175,000 square foot climate controlled structure is the largest air supported building in North America and houses a six-lane 400 meter track as well as full size soccer, football, and softball fields. Also included are workout areas, batting cages, concessions, and locker rooms.

Our primary goal is to serve the community at large and other non-profits specifically by enhancing healthy living goals. Currently 8000-9000 participants and spectators use The Dome weekly including youth and adult soccer, flag football, basketball and baseball/softball enthusiasts as well as runners and walkers. We are expanding our Reach Out program focusing on medical rehabilitation (cardiac and stroke physical therapy), Native Wellness, and youth obesity by offering free of charge educational programs to the community including such topics as nutrition, sports injury prevention, and financial planning to name a few. Turf Tykes offers parents and children the opportunity to interact in a healthy and fun environment. The Dome is a community based facility which offers an economical approach to that which matters most -- the well-being of our citizens. Due to the vagaries of Alaskan weather, a building which is not affected by extremes in snow, ice, wind, cold, light/dark is a gem to be held dear and enthusiastically embraced.

We are well on our way to continued growth in the Anchorage. Governed by a volunteer board we have no shareholders.

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Operational costs are borne by the facility users and profits are reinfused into the facility as we add new equipment and enhancements. We are currently operating under a Conditional Certificate of Occupancy by the Municipality of Anchorage due to expire in August, 2012. This is primarily due to the unfinished state of our parking areas. By way of background, The Dome does not have the MOA mandated paving, curbs, lighting, fire lanes and handicapped accommodations. It's a shame to have a facility that caters to the betterment of all Alaskan people but denies access because of the quagmire that must be traversed to simply get to the front door!

Our budget does not allow for such a capital improvement project. We propose to raise the approximately \$500,00 in completion monies for the project through our own fund-raising endeavors. We hope you will consider our request and that the required improvements can be effected during the 2012 construction season.

It's a definitely a win-win for Alaska. We has received accolades from former governors, mayors, university and school district officials on the need and benefits of such a facility as The Dome in Anchorage. From pre-schoolers to senior citizens, all community members are welcome in our facility. Ultimately a strong and healthy citizenry should be the goal of us all.

Additionally please note that The Dome is its on non-profit entity. We have no ties (including leagally) to the Change Point Church. The land that The Dome is on and that we propose to pave is in the Dome's name. We have our own board. If you have any question in this regard please contact us.

#### **Project Timeline:**

Start August 1st - complete by August 30th - 2012

## **Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Alice Federenko

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes X No

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